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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Soviet Electric Power Capacity -- Request of Senator Jackson

1. At the JAEIC presentation to the Joint Congressional Committee this morning, Senator Jackson requested information on hydroelectric power capacity in the Soviet Union. The DD/I has requested that we prepare a letter to Senator Jackson which contains the following information:

a. The information contained in Tables 20, 21, 22, 23, and 24 in CIA/RR PR-160. This material can be referred to in the letter, and the tables can be tabbed as an attachment.

b. Senator Jackson would like to have the Soviet electric power position expressed in installed capacity rather than production. He would like a separate estimate for European Russia (This includes the Urals.) for 1956, or the current year, and five years hence (1962). Senator Jackson understands that the Soviets have boasted that they will have developed 75 percent of European Russia's water power potential by that time. Is this correct?

c. Senator Jackson would like to have an estimate of hydro capacity for the rest of the Soviet Union, including estimated dates of completion for the major hydro projects planned for this area.

d. In presenting the required statistics for hydro power in b. and c., make a comparison with total electric power capacity in the area.

2. The DD/I hopes that this can be presented in unclassified form. The deadline is c.o.b. Friday, 21 June.

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